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In the twisted world of prison communications, voicemail is an innovation

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Answering machines have been around since the early 20th century, and many have stopped using them in favor of texting and email.

But there's one place where voicemail can still be very useful: behind bars. People in prisons and jails often have set hours to use the phone

and have to compete with others for time. If the person they're calling can't talk or doesn't pick up, they might miss the opportunity to connect for the day. For the most part, if their families want to call, they can't simply just leave an inmate a message, or text them, as cellphones are banned. The same applies to contact with attorneys, who might have to call with something important, like confirming a court date.

Solitary confinement bill passes in Senate with changes supported by 100 lawyers

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OTTAWA — A bill that aims to end solitary confinement has passed in the Senate with a number of amendments — changes a large group of lawyers and law societies say are necessary to ensure the bill stays on the right side of the law.

Senators passed Bill C-83 at third reading Wednesday, complete with a package of amendments including adding judicial oversight to decisions about isolating prisoners, more supports for inmates with

mental illnesses and community-based options for rehabilitating Indigenous people and members of other vulnerable populations.

Now, it will be up to the Liberal government to decide whether to accept the proposed changes. More than 100 legal experts say the bill would be unconstitutional if passed without the amendments.

An intelligence-driven approach to cyber threats

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In the age of big data, it is easy to think that only machines can detect a signal amid the noise. While it's true that big data tools can discover signals that might not be obvious, they can also create their own kind of noise in which the true signal — a true threat — can be lost.

That's a problem anyone dealing with traditional security monitoring

systems over the past few years has come to recognize. Threat detection systems have become extremely good at detecting anything that looks anomalous but, as the number of detected anomalies keeps going up, the number of actual threats is still a small fraction of those. Research indicates that less than 1% of reported anomalies represented actual threats and figuring out which detected threats constitute those dangerous few is exhausting, anxiety-inducing work

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After 18 years in prison, Hells Angels hitman can now apply for parole

Image

A long legal battle involving a hitman for the Hells Angels came to a close Friday in Nova Scotia Supreme Court when lawyers agreed that Dean Daniel Kelsie can now begin applying for parole.

Kelsie shot and killed Sean Simmons in the lobby of an apartment building in north-end Dartmouth, N.S., on Oct. 3, 2000. Kelsie was one

of four men who took part in the killing.

Two other men, Neil William Smith and Wayne Alexander James, are serving life sentences for their roles in Simmons's killing. A fourth man, Steven Gareau, was set free last year after a judge ended the prosecution against him.

CONCERNED USERS WORRY AS TWITTER SUSPENDS SEVERAL 'OSINT' NEWS ACCOUNTS

Image

A group of popular Twitter accounts that tweet about open-source intelligence (OSINT) and generally try to highlight developing and breaking news stories were suspended on Saturday night for unspecified reasons. They join a growing list of account suspensions – sometimes for political reasons, but also for more arbitrary reasons that have alarmed users of the popular social media platform.

Users feared that censorship or targeted complaints by a foreign

government had resulted in the suspension. Steve Lookneer, a News Anchor at Agenda Free TV pointed out that an account called Beep Delete was suspended on Saturday night. An account named Intel Doge (@Inteldoge) wrote “welcome to Twitter, report on things that people don’t like, get mass reported, get banned.”

London Policing Ethics Panel final report on the Met’s trial of Live Facial Recognition Technology

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The Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) welcomes the report published today, Wednesday 29 March, by the London Policing Ethics Panel regarding the force’s trial of Live Facial Recognition Technology (LFR).

Since 2016, the MPS carried out 10 trials of LFR technology across London with the most recent being in Romford Town Centre in mid-February. In the final LFR trials, the watch-list only contained images of individuals wanted by the Met and the courts for violent related offences. This led to a number of arrests based on positive

identifications.

All deployments of the technology were used overtly. Information leaflets were handed to members of the public, posters were placed in the area and officers engaged with members of the public to explain the process and technology.

The MPS trial process has now come to an end and the findings of this report will help inform the MPS in deciding whether to adopt this technology in the future.

Police: Woman on drugs arrested while driving motorized children's vehicle

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VALHALLA, S.C. – It's never a dull moment for the men and women who wear the badge and patrol our communities on a day-to-day basis.

Police in South Carolina experienced that sentiment exactly when they pulled over a woman who was joyriding down the street in a motorized children's vehicle.

Officers first found 25-year-old Megan Holman cruising down the street in a Power Wheels car. For those of you who aren't familiar with that kind of car, picture a giant climbing into a convertible.

End the tyranny of parole violations

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Jose Rivera died on Sunday. He was one of two Rikers Island-related deaths within three days.

On Friday, Rivera was in a hospital bed at Bellevue when his parole officer tracked him down put him in handcuffs, and transported him to Rikers. Rivera's offense was missing appointments with his parole officer. Rivera's condition

worsened in Rikers. He was returned to Bellevue to die.

London's murder toll hits 60: Man, 42, is found stabbed to death at the end of a weekend bloodbath in the capital in which three others were killed as 2019 reaches grim milestone

Image

The capital's murder toll for 2019 has hit 60 after a 42-year-old man was stabbed to death in the early hours of this morning.

He was the fourth person to be killed in London this weekend alone, after one teenager was shot dead and another was stabbed to death on Saturday, following the fatal knifing of another man in Tower Hamlets on Friday.

This morning's victim was attacked in Stratford, east London, just one day after a mob of 100 youths pelted police with bottles as they

investigated a robbery at the nearby Westfield shopping centre.

And later this morning an 28-year-old man was shot just a mile and a half away in Leytonstone. He was taken to hospital and police said that his condition was non life-changing and stable.

DHS ordered me to scrub records of Muslims with terror ties

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Amid the chaos of the 2009 holiday travel season, jihadists planned to slaughter 290 innocent travelers on a Christmas Day flight from the Netherlands to Detroit, Michigan. Twenty-three-year old Nigerian Muslim Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab intended to detonate Northwest Airlines Flight 253, but the explosives in his underwear malfunctioned and brave passengers subdued him until he could be arrested. The graphic and traumatic defeat they planned for the United States failed, that time.

Following the attempted attack, President Obama threw the intelligence community under the bus for its failure to “connect the dots.” He said, “this was not a failure to collect intelligence, it was a failure to integrate and understand the intelligence that we already had.”

Kauai’s retired police chief files $2M harassment claim against county

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HONOLULU, Hawaii (HawaiiNewsNow) - In an unusual development, Kauai’s retired police chief alleges former Mayor Bernard Carvalho and other county administrators harassed and conspired against him — and he’s filed a $2 million claim with the county, the Garden Island reports.

Former Chief Darryl Perry said he endured a “nine-year vendetta of continuous harassment.”

He contends Carvalho and others conspired against him, subjecting him to abuse, threats, and unwarranted disciplinary action. He also says he was not paid for accumulated sick and vacation leave.

“These actions were pervasive, willful and wanton and one with conscious indifference,” Perry wrote in the claim, which was dated May 13.

Opinion: Why building more shelters won’t solve homelessness

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Many naive policymakers discuss homelessness in purely economic terms, perpetrating a distracting myth. Sure, people become homeless for diverse reasons. One might be a LGBT youth, kicked out by parents. Another might be a spouse fleeing an

abusive relationship. Those are prime candidates for conventional outreach and solutions: Make them aware of shelters and house them temporarily.

But unlike the individuals above, the coterie of able-bodied young men living under my freeway exit could certainly pool resources (including government-provided funds) and share a modest apartment in a down-market locale — which would be better than sleeping outside. Understanding why they don't is key to understanding the issue.

Part Three
Is the FBI looking in the wrong places?

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This is a third part of this trifecta of articles: Is the FBI looking in the wrong places? In this article we will address why current

programs/system fall short of our expectations, and why our CAPS system offers scientifically reliable violence prediction and thus prevention.

If you have not read my previous two LinkedIn Posts on this subject: “Is the FBI looking in the wrong places?” and “Part Two: Is the FBI looking in the wrong places?” please STOP and read these articles in sequence. Do so and this article will make a great deal more sense.

It is my contention that all of our governmental agencies (FBI, CIA, DHS’s SPOT, DARPA, etc.) and current “Threat Assessment Programs” are wrong headed. I realize that this statement puts me at odds with some of the brightest minds of my fellow Americans. This is not hubris, but an alternative approach that I have been developing over the past 25 years and I now wish to share this alternative approach with you.

New software to help KCPD identify crime risk areas

Image

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas City police are implementing a new crime prevention strategy that will have officers taking a closer look at their surroundings.

Kansas City residents might be familiar with "hotspot policing," a strategy where law enforcement identifies a high-crime location and saturate it with resource.

However, the new strategy, using "risk-terrain modeling", is about trying to change the environment so that crime is less likely to happen in the future.

"You could have the same crime problem in different parts of the city, but what drives that crime could be completely different," KCPD Sgt. Jonas Baughman said.

California could become first to limit facial

recognition technology; police aren't happy

Image

SAN FRANCISCO – A routine traffic stop goes dangerously awry when a police officer's body camera uses its built-in facial recognition software to misidentify a motorist as a convicted felon.

Guns are drawn. Nerves fray. At best, lawsuits are launched. At worst, tragedy strikes.

That imaginary scenario is what some California lawmakers are trying to avoid by supporting Assembly Bill 1215, the Body Camera Accountability Act, which would ban the use of facial recognition software in police body cams – a national first if it passes a Senate vote this summer and is signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom.

If the dangers of the job don't kill

you, the stress might

Image

My first homicide was a decapitated four-year old boy.

A month later I had the black plastic body bag lying on the concrete floor as I reassembled a drug dealer who was in a dumpster in seven pieces.

I was in the backyard covered in snow when a young Chicago Police Officer was shot and killed responding to a simple burglary.

I was in the garbage strewn alley when the biker/gang member was shot and killed in a shootout with police officers.

Police and PTSD: What happens when the adrenaline rush wears off?

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While recently listening to a Kyle Reyes video clip about 'Loss of Mission' in front of a group of retired Marines, I had a very simple thought, "What are we missing?" when it comes to PTSD and police/military suicides? We talk a lot about reaching out for help and that is extraordinarily important; but what gets a person to the spot where they need this help? Could a part (perhaps a big part) of PTSD be addiction withdrawal?

I have been a police officer for 23 years. The first sixteen years of my career were spent as a field officer working in a high activity area. When I decided that it was time to leave the road (the burnout had begun), the most important and honest question my wife asked of me was, "Are you going to be able to handle the slower pace of an office job?" Of course I reassured her that I would be fine. She, however, knew me better than perhaps even I knew myself… and she was worried.

Facebook Quietly Changes Search Tool

Used by Investigators, Abused By Companies

Image

Late last week Facebook quietly made changes to a set of advanced features that previously allowed users to search the social network in powerful ways, such as finding all posts on Facebook by a keyword and within a certain date range, all of the people who like a certain Facebook Page and live in a particular city, or places visited by two specific users.

All of the information gathered by these search features is from user's public profiles, but the news highlights Facebook's recent emphasis on privacy, and comes after a series of privacy and security incidents at the company. The features have been abused to lookup information on Facebook users en masse, but they are also of immense help to investigators who use them to uncover social media evidence of, for example, airstrikes in Yemen.

Connecting Artificial Intelligence to Community-Police Relations

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Your spouse yells from upstairs: “Honneyyy! The Wi-Fi is down again!” It’s the third time this week your home’s wireless has stopped working. “Okaayyy!” You bellow up the stairwell, “Rebooting!”

This time the reboot doesn’t work.

You check the cable carrier website, logging in successfully after trying several passwords. You click “Internet,” certain that you will be routed and rerouted to page upon page, ultimately having to call and wait on hold for an interminable time, while your spouse continues to “encourage” you from upstairs—“Honey! The Wi-Fi is still down!”

But something different happens this time. A chat balloon appears on your webpage. “Hi,” says the text. “I’m Sally, your Wi-Fi assistant. What seems to be the problem?”

Determined to Combat Online Sexual Exploitation of Children, Kerala Police Teams Up With Interpol

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The International Criminal Police Organization or Interpol has teamed up with a unit of the Kerala Police to counter global online child sexual exploitation and will train the state police in capacity building. Guillermo Galarza, programme director at International Center for Missing and Exploited Children and John Rouse, senior detective, Queensland Police, were on a day's visit to the Kerala Police Cyberdome in Thiruvananthapuram on Monday.

An interpol team had visited Kerala six months ago and conducted the first training session, following which the Kerala Police set up a special unit to counter online child abuse. The Interpol team will hold further training sessions in September this year and February 2020, with the aim to build capacity, equip the state unit with

resources and technology to deal with cases of online sexual exploitation.

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